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NATIONAL CHAMPION SOCCER WARRIORS OPEN HOME SEASON

Loyola's Soccer Warriors, defending Canadian Intercollegiate Champions, open defense of their crown this Friday, September 27 at home versus College Militaire Royal. Game time is 4 p.m.

The Warriors won the 1973 college title by edging the University of Alberta Golden Bears 4-3 in a game which was decided by penalty kicks when the teams were tied 1-1 after 120 minutes of fast-paced action.

Also at stake on Friday afternoon will be the Warriors amazing streak of 50 consecutive league games without a loss, their last set-back occurring way back in 1967. Last year's QUAA title was the seventh straight captured by the Soccer Warriors.

Leading the way for Coach Harry Hus will be Most Valuable Player and QUAA high-scorer Mark Sosnowski, former National team member Jim Corsi and goal-keeper Wally Smith. Smith, who will miss part of the '74 campaign while with Canada's National team, is regarded by Hus as the outstanding goaler in college soccer.

Other Loyola stalwarts include sweeper Duncan Mc Farlane, right wing Tony Madiou, mid-fielder Len Ockedahl, left-winger Richard Knopp and last year's Most Improved Player, mid-fielder Brad de Souza. Hus expects improvement from right back Leslie Kiraly, left back Robert Duval and mid-fielder George Stretr in hopes of filling the gaps left by the graduation of several regulars. Newcomers expected to help are sweeper Mike Reynolds of the Quebec Elite team and mid-fielders Trevor Murray and Neil Mc Farlane.

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